

a dedicated member of the Kiwanis Club, the American Legion, Elks Club, and the Masonic Lodge. To this day he proudly serves as an Elder at First Presbyterian Church in Effingham. On top of all these accomplishments, Dr. Webb has successfully raised seven children.

In Effingham, and in the thousands of American communities just like it across the Nation, being a doctor is a tremendous responsibility. I'm sure Dr. Webb knows most everyone in town on a first-name basis, and can remember the various ailments and maladies which were treated through a timely prescription or perhaps just a comforting word at the bedside.

He has watched children grow from infants who babble in church to adults who serve as deacons in their congregation. Sharing a friendly greeting with the local merchant or police officer and helping a little boy or girl conquer the fear of stitches or shots have been the rule for Dr. Webb, not the exception. As a doctor in Effingham, Dr. Webb is respected by his community, which appreciates the labor of love he has invested in them.

It is with great pride that I have the opportunity to honor Dr. Webb for his many years of dedicated service to the people of Effingham. It is not often we find a hard-working public servant such as Dr. Webb, who for countless hours has strived to make our community a better place. For all his service to our community, I ask that you join me, Mr. Speaker, in congratulating Dr. Herbert Webb.

TRIBUTE TO WALLACE KIDO

HON. JACK REED

OF RHODE ISLAND

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 17, 1996

Mr. REED. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to take this opportunity to congratulate and recognize the distinguished career of Wallace Kido, the manager of the Providence district of the U.S. Postal Service. In that capacity, Mr. Kido is responsible for serving postal customers throughout the State of Rhode Island and southeastern Massachusetts, a region generating revenues in excess of \$440 million. Sadly, after 32 years of exemplary public service, Mr. Kido has announced that he will be retiring early next year.

During his tenure with the Rhode Island office, Mr. Kido has been a good friend and an effective representative of the U.S. Postal Service. His career with the U.S. Postal Service began back in 1964, when he started as a clerk in San Francisco.

Since then, Mr. Kido has taken on a series of increasingly higher positions and assignments, including director of the Office of Human Resources at Postal Service headquarters. Mr. Kido joined the Providence Postal Service in 1986 as general manager-postmaster. Prior to his appointment, Mr. Kido earned a master's degree from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he represented the Postal Service in the Alfred P. Sloan Fellows Program.

Mr. Kido's duties as Providence district postmaster include managing 195 post offices, 3 processing and distribution plants, and almost 9,000 employees. His remarkable energy and commitment to the task makes what he does seem effortless.

During his 10 years as manager in Providence, Mr. Kido has brought a degree of excellence, and more importantly, a sense of pride, to the challenging task of coordinating the processing of 1 billion pieces of mail each year. In fact, average overnight delivery service in Rhode Island has exceeded the national average over the last seven quarters.

Today, I ask my colleagues to join me in paying tribute to Mr. Kido's exemplary service. He will be greatly missed as the Providence district manager, and I wish him all the best as he embarks upon a new phase of endeavors.

TRIBUTE TO ALBERTA MARTIN, AMERICA'S LAST CONFEDERATE WIDOW

HON. TERRY EVERETT

OF ALABAMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 17, 1996

Mr. EVERETT. Mr. Speaker, I would like to pay homage to a very special lady who is a unique bridge to our Nation's past, Mrs. Alberta Martin. Mrs. Martin is America's only surviving Confederate widow.

A resident of the city of Elba in my home county of Coffee in Alabama, Mrs. Martin is the widow of the late William Jasper Martin, who served in the 4th Alabama Infantry from May 1864 to April 1865 defending the Confederate States of America.

Private Martin, then just 18, served in the 4th Alabama in the final days of the Civil War. He and his comrades marched to meet the forces of Gen. Ulysses S. Grant in Virginia, and he was 1 of only 202 members of his 1,400-man infantry to return home.

In 1927, Alberta Martin at the age of 20 married her Confederate veteran husband. They were married 5 years until he passed away in 1932.

In recognition of Alberta Martin's unique status as America's only remaining Civil War widow, the city of Elba is hosting a day in her honor on September 24. Mrs. Martin is a living tribute to the memory of America's and Alabama's history.

I salute Mrs. Alberta Martin and wish her many happy years of life at home in historic Coffee County, AL.

HONORING THE EL PORTAL WOMEN'S CLUB ON THEIR 50TH ANNIVERSARY

HON. CARRIE P. MEEK

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 17, 1996

Mrs. MEEK of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today, September 17, 1996, to recognize the achievements of the El Portal Women's Club on the occasion of their 50th anniversary. For half a century, its members and their friends have worked to make the village of El Portal a better place in which to live.

In 1946, soon after the end of World War II, national optimism ran high. Men and women were uniting to forge a new homefront and community pride meant to them a great deal. It was at this time that the El Portal Women's Club set out on their great adventure. The 200

charter members of the organization came into being before El Portal had either its own police station or city hall. In fact, with no other funding available, the group raised much of the funding necessary to build such structures.

These efforts were to be only the beginning of their community activism. Over the years, they raised moneys to build the Little River Youth Center and to erect closing gates along the railroad tracks which run through their village.

In the 1960's, they began fundraising to support the fight against cancer and heart disease. They gave to the Girl Scouts and created student loans for area schoolchildren. They assisted handicapped children. They even began their own crimewatch.

In 1976, as America celebrated its bicentennial, the women's club celebrated, too, with its now legendary patriots in petticoats program. Emphasizing the history of the flag of the United States, patriots in petticoats performed over 80 shows for local citizens and dignitaries.

To this day, the women's club continue its noteworthy work, especially on behalf of area children and needy.

Today I applaud the members and past presidents of the women's club who are today joined with many former mayors, councilmembers, and police chiefs. Your work for these many years will not be forgotten. You have shown your pride for El Portal. Today, it is El Portal which is proud of you.

ARNOLD ALDERMAN HONORED FOR WORK WITH BOY SCOUTS

HON. ROSA L. DeLAURO

OF CONNECTICUT

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, September 17, 1996

Ms. DeLAURO. Mr. Speaker, on Thursday, September 19, 1996 the Quinnipiac Council Boy Scouts of America will hold their annual Good Scout Award Dinner in honor of Arnold J. Alderman. I am delighted to rise today to honor Arnold and the enormous contributions he has made to scouting and the New Haven community.

The Good Scout Award is given annually to an individual who embodies the spirit of scouting. In both his business and professional life, the recipient must display integrity and a commitment to serving and helping others. Further, the Good Scout Award recipient must always be an inspiration and example for our youth. Arnold Alderman is such a person.

For over 60 years, Arnold has been personally involved with scouting. He has served as scoutmaster of Troops 41, 62, 18, 52, 101 and has led Troop 41 of New Haven for more than 25 years. During this time, he has received the Scoutmaster's Key, Order of the Arrow, Shofar Award, Silver Beaver Award, Silver Antelope Award, Distinguished Eagle Award, and was selected as a Baden Powell Fellow. Arnold is frequently referred to as "Fearless Leader" by the more than 1,000 boys he has served as scoutmaster for. This nickname makes clear the respect and affection his troops feel for him.

Arnold carries his genuine concern for people into his personal life as well. He has generously given his time, talents, and so much of himself to the people of New Haven. He has